

Work of Fifteen Years

FILLING Bob Edgren's shoes. for the other side. years or more has enabled us to faideals in sport. It will be our endeavor to stick as closely as possible to them. The readers of The Evening World's sporting page need not expect any change in its conduct nor is the policy of presenting the news while Bob is away on other traits. Is other words, we shall try to keep it up to its name—"The Best Sporting Page in New York." We will tell the truth about everything and everything in the column will be just as honestly and fearlessly written as if Bob himself were on the job. Nobody will be maismed nor roasted unless criticism of such a nature is deserved; inshoody will be catered to; nobody will be the basis of everything written as iff our professionals hitting long balls.

Looks all up with baseball. Latest announcements from the powers that be indicate that there is little chance of continuing the season in the of Secretary Baker's interpre-

chance of continuing the season in view of Secretary Baker's interpretation of the work or fight order, but not until to-morrow in Pittsburgh will definite action be decided upon. The American League is inclined to shut up shop right away, but the Nationals would play the season out. The Western cities have about given up, so what games remain in the sechedule will probably be finished in the East.

S if the folks down in Washington haven't enough troubles of their own, Ban Johnson. President of the American League, would unload the baseball situation on them. Listen to this m Chicago:

Johnson said he believed the club owners of the American League may ask President Wil-son to decide whether they shall close their ball parks for the duration of the war or continue with men outside the draft age. in any event he said it was the desire of the American League to be wholly responsive to the wishes of President Wilson, and the ultimate decision whether the as a recreation probably will be not know if the game could be continued with men outside the draft age, and surely we do not

just as well that the Government sons. steps in and jerks the whole works up on its haunches. President Tener goes out of his way to recall the fact that Han Johnson could hardly be kept out of war before we got into t, but says he hasn't opened his face shout the matter since, "He'll get nto the fighting," says Tener, "when about the matter since. "He'll get into the fighting," says Tener, "when the American boys are marching through the streets of Berlin." John through the streets of Berlin." Johnson's admiration for Tener reaches
the point that the National League
would be a great baseball organization, if Pennsylvania's ex-Governor

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Fourth Race—Plags, Papp. Into
Frank,
Fifth Race—Cornelia III., Magnetite,
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WE received the following letter last week and herewith put it up to Mr. James Butler: We are taking the liberty of addressing a letter to you in rela-Empire meet for Jackies and

Empire meet for Jackies and Doughboys in the service.

There is not a sallor nor a soldier who does not fully appreciate the good work the New York baseball teams are doing in allowing the men in the service passes to the games. Major August Belmont realized that en the pay received by the sallors the pay received by the sations and soldiers they could not afford to pay admission to his track, and he allowed them free ad-

The desire of the boys to witness the racing at Empire is ex-needed only by the elenderness of their purses, and we are certain fact he would waste no time in finding some means of satisfying the wants of the men, many of whom will never witness another season of racing. Yours in short, HORSE-LOVING DOUGHBOYS.

Boxing didn't get off to very much when it was introduced across front.



for Red Cross in Match at Deal in Which Nicholls and Reid Again Beat Donaldson

Gil Nicholls and Wilfrid Reid again defeated Jim Donaldson and Pat Doyle in a Red Cross four-ball exbiblition match at the Deal Golf Club. Trying to Keep Up the Good at Norwood a few weeks ago the English team also was successful. The margin in favor of Reid and Nicholis at Deal was 2 up and 1 to play, their best ball reading 71 to 12

Yes, we know it's a big job, but we can't be indicted for record in the Eastern district. Quite Incidentally, something tike \$15,000 trying. If we can half fill his number a few novelties were brought off tens we will be well satisfied. Inti- in the bidding, among them that the mate association with Bob for afteen man who bid the highest for the caddymiliarize ourseives with many of his the flag to go with his favorite profesideals in sport. It will be our en- sional. The first player to be suctioned deavor to stick as closely as possible off was Doyle, who was chosen with

## Best Yearlings To Be Sold at Spa

offer his young stock on the 17th of yesterday. August through the Powers Hunter Company of New York.

The youngsters Major Belmont will proffer to the highest bidders are from mares whose produce have al-ways raced under the Belmont sliks, notably Fairy Gold, Nineveh, Fer-ment, Peccadillo, Sureingle, Wood-vine, Topiary, Toggery, Delusion, Olympia and Dame Beauty, These yearlings claim for sires such famous old stillions as Fair Play

and the younger but highly promising.

Tracery, champion distance runner of Great Britain in 1913, for which the Chairman of the Jockey Club turned Thomas, ri. 0 0 0 0 Histor, 25, 4 down an offer of \$200,000; Watervale, Fietcher, & 3 0 0 5 0 0 1 incoming relations of Watercress and Lady Violet, Zunaa, 315 0 1 2 0 0 0 united, fi. 2 which had winners out last season; Wilhout, if, 4 1 4 0 0 Grimm, 16. 4 Vulcain, a son of Rock Sand, of the Holke, Ib. 4 318 0 0 0 Grimm, 16. 4 female line from which Watervale McGarly, c. 4 0 2 0 0 first c. 1 sprung; Flint Rock, another brilliant and Clark, and ther brilliant can of Rock Sand and French Sand and Clark, another brilliant can of Rock Sand and French Sand and Clark, another brilliant can of Rock Sand and French Sand and Clark, another brilliant can of Rock Sand and French Sand and Clark, another brilliant can of Rock Sand and French Sand and Clark, another brilliant can of Rock Sand and French Sand and Clark, another brilliant can of Rock Sand and French Sand and Clark, and the can be considered to the can be consi WHEN the President of the National League gets to the stage
of throwing mud at the Presiners in Great Britain and in the dent of the American League, it's United States these two or three sea-

#### RACING SELECTIONS.

Sea Pirate Second Race Nightstick, Kewple O'Neil Jack Stuart, Third Race Kohlnoor, Wild Thyme.

more money than he has received in any one fight in years for beating any one fight in years for beating Kid Norfolk. We didn't see the fight have heard from those who did Thee Base Hit Holks Stolen Bases—Burns (2), but have heard from those who did Thee Race Hit Holks Stolen Bases—Burns (2). They tell us that Jeannette fought Fleicher to Hoke Left on Bases New York 2. Received in Bases—See York 2. Received to the Bases of Balls—Off Steek 2. of but have heard from those who did. They tell us that Jeannette fourth with all the skill be used to put into with all the skill he used to put into his mix-ups with Sam Langford and hadn't the slightest trouble winning.

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PADING the reports of the defeat of Lord Brighton by Sweep On Saturday at Younger the starter's 2 Wheat assistant would not let him get away assistant would not let him get away from the post on even terms with the post of the post get the empression that the starter's Laubt, it 4 212 C. Wheat, it 5 4 5 Lord Brigaten was away in plenty of time to win the rune if the ability was in him, and he hadn't much of an excuse. He simply met a faster trick in Sweep Chi, a cold which would probably beat him every time they the hom will never witness another ason of racing. Yours in severt in their previous menting but it a as purely by accident. Sweep On had him soundly beaten half a dozen him soundly beaten half a dozen of a start in Jersey, but it seems from the finish and then propped mysteriously long enough to enable Jockey Lyke to "lift" Lord Him through the same Revenue of a start in Jersey, but it seems to have evercome mistakes Highton across the finish line in the Base Brook of the Brook of the

# GIANTS WHO DON'T HAVE TO WORK OR FIGHT



## Gather to Decide What Will Be Baseball's Fate

Ban Johnson's Colleagues Meet To-Day in Cleveland and Tener Calls Conference for Pittsburgh To-Morrow - Garry Herrmann Believes Everything Will Come Out All Right-Phillies Get Themselves "Useful" Jobs.

take action on the ruling of Secretary phia Athletics, arrived yesterday.

Whether the schedule should be conpromising yearlings of Major August ever, it is understood that a majority the attractive features of the coming parks for the duration of the war and thoroughbred yearling sales at Sara- awarding a pennant, following the extoga. Major Beimont has decided to ample of the American Association

were August Herrmann, Chairman of

### Box Scores of Games Played

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CLEVELAND, July 22.-The future the National Baseball Commission. the American Baseball League was who will attend the meeting, and the American Baseball League was be decided here to-day at a special principal owner of the Cleveland called by President B. B. Johnson to a large stockholder of the Philadel-

of War Baker that baseball was not Charles A. Commikey of the Chicago It was learned that President White Sox, who is spending a vacatinued was expected to be the princito attend.

> Cleveland Club, says that unless the keep his park closed for the duration will remain here pending the outcome of the American League meeting. An exhibition game, scheduled for Tuesday between the Chicago Nationals and the local team has been can-

President Herrmann says:

"I think everything is going to By Local Clubs | come out | right | 1 believe that an he met. should be made to go through with our schedule and to play the to handle the crowd. World's Series, and I am backed by Draft laws fill the arm all the members of the National himself after a poor sucess. to be done about it. Until we get direct orders to the contrary we shall they are susceptible to flattery. go on with the schedule. I have directed our team to proceed on its Spanish War discharge will do. eastern trip to-morrow and to play every day until contrary orders are received."

terday to suspend the 1918 schedule. This action was taken at a smeetal meeting in Chicago, which was called by league. The following resolution was diamonds and gate receipts. adopted unanimously:

"Resolved. That on account of the war 'work or fight' order issued by Secretary of War Baker, the 1918 playing schedul sions! Baseball Clubs is hereby suspended for the balance of the 1918 season and all ball clubs dishanded after July 21, 1918. This action is taken by the eathe Government "

the meeting, either in person or by proxy.

The contracts of the players will be formulated and they will seek other work. Mr. Hickey and.

The clubs played their final games with doubte headers yearcefuy.

Several of the club owners and they thought it would be for the good of baseball to close their sail parks.

#### NATIONAL CLUB OWNERS WILL DECIDE TO-MORROW

Secretary Heydler of the National Baseball League received a telegram of improving their aim. here to-day from President Tener, who is at Pittsburgh, announcing that definite arrangements have been made workers by playing bull in Duluth. for a meeting of the National League club owners at Pittsburgh to-morrow, It is expected that the question of the duration of this season's play will be thoroughly discussed and finally set-

## ALL THE PHILLIES HAVE

PHILADELPHIA, July 22,-The dot



#### The Flatterers.

was a summer evening about the hour of 9 But ere the wine he opened, a hawkshaw with a pard

He fumbled in his pockets, he fumbled in his hat-Poor Willie even fingered the chair on which he sat; And when he failed to find it he scratched his throbbing dome And said with breath abated, "I must have left it home.

One trusty sleuth engrossed him, the other took his name-Poor Willie in his horror could sense Bertillon fame. Owner Dunn, President of the He shivered like the ivy, cold sweat deluged his brow; His face had changed completely to visage of a cow.

Washington he would as stated. But ere the sleuths departed their mystic, sleuthing way A look of adulation made Willie's features gay of the war. The Cleveland players They had a mind to pinch him, but Willie bade them dine-He'd suddenly remembered that he was thirty-nine.

#### Cajoling a Draft Sleuth.

easier to find a man than to guess his age. Why not try the other extreme and examine the contents of every go-Almost anybody could outdo Sherlock Holmes by stopping every one

Draft laws fill the army, bu, do not tell the draft sleuth how to excu-

League. I think something is going. It is to wond r which is the poorest craftsman—the slacker or the

You can flatten some men by asking for their registration card, unless MORAL: Always carry your registration card. If you have none, your

#### Some Pitching.

WITHOUT any previous training, but with the best of mid-season forms, Secretary Baker pitched old King Baseball out of the public eye with an assortment of elusive flourishes of his fast-breaking pen-There is still doubt as to what Secretary Baker used to shut out Thomas J. Hickey. President of the the 42-year old champion, who proved an easy victim in spite of all his Many contend that he used a Waterman, but there are just as many who

believe that the war chief of the Cabinet employed a Lucky Curve. Secretary Baker has entered the Hall of Baseball Fame as the only nitcher to retire in one afternoon all the batters in the country at the same time; while he himself piled up a total of 236 recruits for either the army, navy or some productive industrial enterprise. Bareball never had a chance. He offered feeble resistance against the tight control of Secretary Baker's longhand.

SOME OF OUR AMBITIOUS GOLFERS MIGHT BE ABLE TO DISIVE

Ed Geers threatens to leave the turf flat on its back ten years hence, giving the turf a long time to enjoy prosperity.

#### Page the Beef Trust. TER form was like the figure 1-

Twas sharp and lean and boncy; But if this maiden weighed a ton, She'd go to bathe at Coney.

Men of draft age are urged to become chauffeurs, possibly for the sica

Cobb. Sister, Baker and Johnson have been invited to join the war

Asked to look ahead for an opinion on the present situation. Counie Mack replied that all

has a ball team in the Delaware River Shipbuilding League. Cy Will-Pitcher Elmer Jacobs said he in-tended to go to his home in Mis-tams will go back to his Wisconsin dication that the Administration was farm; Justin Fitzgerald will help reluctant to decide, and that the urgsouri and become a brakeman on the build ships at Mare Island, Cal. FOUND THEMSELVES JOBS tree Mountain Railroad. Catcher Catcher Eddie Burns says he will Cams. Pitchers Hogg, Pren- likely go to work in a fish cannery O schiger and Infielders at Monterey, Cal.; Outfielder Meusel made some of the owners are clamormembers of the Philadelphia Na. He and Hemingway fields of Southern California: Milton the Government was letting them do, Stock will look for work in a Mobile, and seems still willing to permit them have arrived home from what may be jobs with a Delaware River shiptheir last trip, are making arrange. Quild at company. This company enlisted in the Navy.

# WILSON'S INTERVENTION IS ONLY THING CAN SAVE GAME

Quick Action of President Would Enable Baseball to Continue, as Already Players Are Beginning to Find Other-

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E ROI est mori! Vive le Roi! Baseball, king of sports, is dead. The decision of Secretary is War Baker ends the professional While club owners and the

an dead as a doornail. It has been weighed and found wanting. The exogun. Nothing but

and such an order is so improbable made the box office superior to the

s to be negligible.

To-day the American League club
where and officers are to meet in
character in their way be of the finest
character in their way fields, are not makes small difference what they de-cide—baseball is dead unless the President resurrects it. The owners Of the commercial spirit, which has may decide to attempt to continue standard of the players and lowered the playing with the few remaining players as nuclei of clubs. This might be greated to the sport.

Estates the sport. Header of the sport.

Estates the set things, the fallure of Christy Mathewson to accept the call to take charge of baseball in France, too time there is a Major ("Cap") Husting the second fall of the sport.

Weeghman of the Chicago Cubs and Frazee of the Boston Red Sox that the season be declared closed at a date in the near future, and that the championships be awarded to the leading tumbled in his pockets, he fumbled in his hat—
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Weeghman of the Chicago Cubs and Frazee of the Boston Red Sox that the season be declared closed at a date in the players find useful work to do. He hear future, and that the championships be awarded to the leading to the players nor the public would regard a series between the two clubs for the world's championship seriously. Cleveland, New York and other fans would dispute the title, which in fact would be an empty one.

A FTER the first flush of disap-

for all ambitious young ball players this time. Baseball had reached a under twenty-one years old to report condition which demanded a house at the parks and strive for jobs on the teams. The veteran players and man-

much of their skill. Those who go into the army and navy, if they escape undurt, will come back in fine physical shape, and a large proportion of those who desire to get back other clubs. In one case a letter still physical shape, and a large proportion of those who desire to get back into baseball will be in finer condition than they ever were as players. Oddly enough, in the letters I have received from players who are in the service, many express a determination to go into other businesses after the war. Looking into the future, one can se that after the war baseball will be the biggest game in the world and a new generation of Coops. Bakers and Speakers must come into it.

tions of the past may aid in the futions of the past may aid in the fu-ture of baseball. One menth ago I should have a voice in making the spent valuable space for three days laws that govern them. And above trying to warn the major league club all, men who place sport above finanat Washington to decide any baseball case. I was satisfied thecause of private information) that if the Administration decided any case it would be upon the principle involved, and that neither monetary nor other con-

that neither monetary nor other con-mideration would cut much figure.

The Administration was allowing the leagues to continue and letting the local boards decide individual cases. That meant that the leagues would lose valuable players, that others would take their places and that the game could continue to the ing of the magnates and the direct mallenge to the Government in the ansmith case compelled the decision. Now that the decision has been

the terms of the order. At least 50

per cent, of the players who will now go to other work would have been permitted to remain in the game. Whether it is better to wipe out the business entirely or proceed with constantly weakened and changed class is doubtful, but the fact remains that to me, after many years of watching commercial inter-ests may strive to continue the busi-ness, the aport is

THERE has been considerable compctors, musicians and other ontertainers are exempted and ball players are rated as uscless. The argu players to find a.ent is rather childish-baseball stood and fell on a matter of principle. Besides, various things have tended

vention of Presi-dent Wilson could against the sport but against the revive the game, business. Because:

Cleveland to decide upon the course baseball men, and some of whom are of the league. To-morrow the Na- in for revenue only.

war is over they will need trained flight of players to "safe" employment, which in many cases was mereason would be merely spring train- ly a move to avoid military duty-all

accept them as enampionship contests.

The suggestion of Presidents Weeghman of the Chicago Cubs and Errage of the Boston Red Sox that the loss in war taxes and income taxes probably more than off-

THE best plan in my estimation AFTER the first flush of disapwould be for the major leagues | monetary loss, the owners and others close their parks immediately and interested in baseball will realize move disband their teams, keeping their and more the fact that Secretary veterans who still are under contract. Baker may have done a big thing for Then each club should send out a call the national game by stopping it at teams. The veteran players and managers could select and weed out from squads of players, and play daily or week-end games for the next month. By that time teams of sufficient strength could be formed and a series of sames between the cities of the cold league could be scheduled.

The public, which has shown itself.

a series, and in my opinion the quality of baseball would be almost as high as we have been watching this season. Further, the club owners would be doing their bits in training and developing scores of young athletes, and baseball would benefit because a new and ambitious general of ball players would come up.

Will may as well now emblazon the hall of fame and put them in the past tense. Not one in ten will be a good ball player a year from next apring, which is about as soon as baseball can hope to resume on a normal hasse. Half of the players will not the game and a great majority of them will have lost much of their skill. Those who go into the army and navy, if they escape undurf, will come back in final commission, split by internal dissensions, lost much of their skill. Those who go into the army and navy, if they escape undurf, will come back in final commission, split by internal dissensions, lost much of its power. The National Commission, split by internal dissensions, lost much of its power. The National Commission, split by internal dissensions, lost much of their skill. Those who go into the army and navy, if they escape undurf, will come back in financial disaster to many. The Fed League war brought financial disaster to many. The Fed League suit against organized baseball would have simaster to many. The Fed League suit against organized baseball would have simaster to many. The Fed League suit against organized baseball would have simaster to many. The Fed League suit against organized baseball to pieces and of sportsmanship.

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Tills is not the time for recrimina-tion. Yet a review of the condi-tions of the past may aid in the fucial gain should both own the clubs and play on the teams.

#### RACING EMPIRE CITY TRACK TO-MORROW White Plains Handicar and 5 Other Fine Contests